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Recycling Market Development Zone Tax Credit



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Statutory Duties

- Support county/municipality incentives encouraging companies to recycle primary and secondary materials
- Evaluate county/municipality applications
- Certify company's equipment is integral to compositing or recycling process
- Certify eligible investment using TC-40R form supplied by Tax Commission

What is a Recycling Market Development Zone?

- Designated area for counties/municipalities:
 - Actively encourage recycling of post-consumer waste
 - Demonstrate ability to support better management of secondary waste material from commercial, industrial and manufacturing processes

Tax Credit Eligibility and Caps

Tax Code 59-10-1007:

- **Up to 5% of the purchase price paid** for machinery and equipment used directly in:
 - commercial composting; or
 - manufacturing facilities or plant units that:
 - manufacture, process, compound, or produce recycled items of tangible personal property for sale; or
 - reduce or reuse postconsumer waste material

Tax Credit Eligibility and Caps

Tax Code 59-7-1007:

- **Equal to 20 percent of net expenditures up to \$10,000** to third parties for rent, wages, supplies, tools, test inventory, and utilities made by the claimant with an annual maximum tax credit of \$2,000

Zone Application Process

**Municipality or
county submits
an application**

**ORD
reviews the
application**

Approved?

Yes

No

**Municipality or
county receives
official letter with
Recycling Zone
(RZ) designation**

**Municipality or
county may revise
application and
reapply**

Tax Credit Verification Process

Company located within an RZ contacts ORD to request a TC-40R signature

ORD verifies the company is located within an RZ

Qualifying expenditures more than \$1 million?

Yes

ORD makes recycling zone verification visit

No

Company emails documentation and invoices to ORD

Company submits form to Utah Tax Commission

Recycling Zone Tax Credit Overview

- **58 recycling zones** across 22 counties

2015

- **\$1.8 million** in tax credits awarded
- **\$36 million** in private investment
- **19 companies** awarded for tax credits

2016

- **\$311,394** in tax credits awarded
- **\$6.1 million** in private investment
- **6 companies** awarded for tax credits

Future Planning

- Collaborate with Tax Commission to review and evaluate business tax credit application process
- Collaborate with Department of Environmental Quality as subject matter experts

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